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OF BOVINE Hsp70 DEFICIENCY

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Please amend the application as follows.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend claims 3 and 4 to read as follows:

3. (Amended) The method for gene diagnosis as claimed in
claim 1, wherein the presence of mutation is examined by
examining a gene amplification product obtained by the polymerase
chain reaction method.

4. (Amended) The method for gene diagnosis as claimed in
claim 1, wherein the nucleic acid sample is a sample containing
genomic DNA, cDNA or mRNA.